From Albemarlo County. SCOTISVILLE. August 25, 1875 Editors Disputch: We have just been visited by another time rain-in fact, we are

Protested meetings, which have been atdefined at Episcopal church in this town, ader the charge of the pastor, Rev. James E. Gales (a first-rate preacher), formerly of

Polities occupy very little of the time or attention of scottsvillians at present, but .. follower-] will be at a heavy discount. ons again on the 1st of September under the general supervision of D. P. Powers, one the most efficient county superintendents AN OLD CITIZEN.

The Christian Church-Piedmont District Convention. the oried for the Dispatch.]

isa terrentuse, Va., August 26, 1875. PIRST DAY-THURSDAY. shant to adjournment at its last sesin Charlotte ville, the Piedmont District ntion of the Christian Courch convened | Tue-day , the Christian church to-day. Deleand visitors arrived by passenger trains terday and to-day, and the weather being many from the country came in. cal exercises commenced at quarter 12 c'ebek, and opened by singing the

Editor inch.

by Rev. Z. Parker Richardson; S. Lucas made very apand entertaining remarks. it. Lin Cive delivered the introducs, which proved to be very fine! He urged every brother to hundred millions of peoar hope in the Word-less than ! and the fault lay at each and eve-

tema sung commencing. ball the power of Jesus's name." F. W. Jones was elected temporary chair-

in. Prayer by Rev. R. Lin Cave. Church entry up. Several churches had no dele-Hey, L. A. Carler moved that a committee of three he appointed to nominate manent officers for the Convention.

Chair appointed Rev. L. A. Cutler tayls, who retired, and after a short absence amed and reported, nominating Edmund

Mr. tave said he could not promise, as he Reports of churches next came up, and a

Parker Richardson that the chairman of he lightly be allowed until the morning sesch better than verbal. Adopted. Mr. Tyler stated the necessity of full and orts, and Mr. Norris the same in

Rev. Z. Parker Richardson's report as value ist was read by R. M. Kent and re-

The report of the Educational Board was with of persons for the ministry. eas stated that the change could not by this body, and moved that a comalter of three be appointed to report as to

Mr. William Diniel thought Mr. Lucas's not well taken. Mr. Lucas held to his point, however. Mr. Henry Chiles, of Louisa, moved that

modern withdrawn. Upon the metion of Mr. Lucas being put in the darkness. to the house, it was carried, and a committee

The treasurer's report was deferred. The report of the Committee on Tracts el as extensively as possible.

The same Evangelizing Board was apanted, on motion of Mr. Richardson. A committee on preaching during the seem of the Convention was appointed. On the fon of Mr. Chil's (after singing), the Convention a journed to 10 o'clock to-W. M. B. normay morning.

From the Buffalo Springs. [Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.] BUFFALO LITHIA SPRINGS, VA., ?

August 26, 1875. otwithstanding the excessive rains and unsersenable weather, the visitors to this others arrive daily. This can be attribud to no other fact than that there must be directions rarely equalled. The waters have inquestionably gained a reputation not exsures effected by the lithia in many BEALL, said to an interviewer; those of the celebrated Europe, and in some where been tried and failed. hauld make the springs stand high in the mation of the afflicted. Fortunate, inand, that the present proprietor should getteed possession of them; and by has management, and sagacity in using n unsparing purse the unexampled safforded by "printers' ink" to let sulf and to the far West orders for the water of Iowa the wide-awake newsper editor sends his paper with the request ages. Harnish bim an advertisement. An order

learly live hundred half-gallon bottles. apprehensions need be felt about the the "lithia," Nos. 1 and 2, in a stream, afford one hundred and five hundred years." arry gallons per bour. To be here and see he evident and speedy relief, the rapid transormation to the bloom of health and vigor om a miserable existence, fills one with anazement that this fountain of health had not been previously discovered and its Virtues developed. The improvements are fortably furnished, covered walks, and last night at Lohmeyer's Hall, east Pratt heat framed buildings, with chimneys, comall- and dining-room. [Is that your Ger-

men hyphen?] reserve and formality one is so accustomed tion of the balloon. A board of directors one of our prominent Virginia judges, who tion for the association were appointed. has been here for some time, remark yester- Baltimore American, 27th. day that he had not during his stay heard a "profane oath or seen a drunken man," and, game, are the principal amusements. The arrivals to date have been largely in | made at 113,43 to 113.48.

Acess of last season. General Matt. W. Ransom, of North Carolina, spent a Wock, and will return in a few days. His fam liy are was reported dead.

still here. Also, Judge Reed, Supreme Court ! of North Carolina : General Gormon, of Raleigh; and many others no less distinguished from the Old North State. Judge Wood. Bouldin, of the Court of Appeals, is still here. His health is much improved. Judge Christian, of the same court, is daily ex-

pected. Of the number of belies and beaux it is useless to name and particularize. They form a select party of their own, and we risited by another one than our share of this article; have no inclination to invade Cupid's realms but, notwithstanding, the condition of their own select coterie, to include in all to adopt a provision in the new Constitution their arts, fascinations, love-talks, and cote prospect is highly flattering for a fine quetting. They are of course now looking We have never had a better sign for with anxious expectation to the grand fancya heavy crop of corn throughout this and the dress ball to come off here on the 8th proxia neavy crop of the Sth Buckingham and Fiu- mo. From the character of the gentlemen managers, it will no doubt be an elegant entended with heapy results, have recently tertainment. Young ladies consider fancyeen held at the various churches in this dress balls the acme of human bliss, where ounty, and one is now in progress at the all can display their charms, and each one show that

"Whatever she does, where'er ber steps she bonds, Grace on every action silently attends. We have after diligent inquiry among the planters in this vicinity heard of no serious damage to the crops thus far by the incessant when the Conservatives put their ticket in continues so unfavorable that the veery lawful method every and any enthe fill every man in this time-honored continues so unfavorable that the tobacco county will no his "level best," and repudia-ponists (especially " Parson" Massey and of the crop the experienced say when it comwill "fire" and "blacken"; and at this stage mences to injure, whole fields can be ruined tur public schools will commence opera- in forty-eight hours. Old Sol has not made his appearance here now for four days. J.

A Pistol that was Useful. DR. HAMMOND'S RECEPTION OF HIS NOCTURNAL

VISITORS. Dr. William A. Hammond, of No. 43 west Fifty-fourth street, New York, with his family, has been spending some weeks in the country. A few days ago be returned to the city on a visit, leaving his family in the country, and he and a woman servant were the only occupants of the house. On morning about two hours before daylight the Doctor was awakened by the violent ringing of his burglar-alarm.

The wires are so arranged that an indicator in the second-story front room shows at what door or window they have been touched. His sleeping-room is in this stery, and he immediately arose and armed himself with what is known as a horse-pistol, carrying a ball nearly as large as a hickory-nut. With this be hastened into the front room, and there learned from the indicator that the wires guarding his office window, in the rear

of the first story, had been tampered with. A little handle fixed by the side of the indicator is attached to a wire that reaches to his might; reminded them that the American District Telegraph Company's nearest office, and by pulling this handle the mustat the globe not four hundred number of the house and the name of the street are there registered. The Doctor quickly pulled this handle, and hurried to or. Everyone was charmed with the bath-room, in the rear of the second carse, and the strictest atten- story, from whose window he had a clear by each and every one present, view of the office window, and of the yard onslop of Mr. Care's address, and at the back of the house. Thence be saw or direct, we, an intermission was given three men. One was about twenty feet from alah myard to partake of dinner, which the house, beyond the fence that encloses the I been duly provided in profusion and narrow back-yard; another stood in the yard about midway between the fence and the house; and the third was elinging to the sill of the office window, which was open, trying to pull himself in.

COLD LEAD.

The bath-room window was closed, but the doctor cocked his pistol, so that its noise might not alarm the burglats after he raised 26 .- A large fire occurred at Quincy this the sush. Then he laid it on a little stand | morning, destroying Robertson's building, at that stood by the wall, and slowly opened the corner of Granite and Hancock streets, the window. The sash fitted loosely in the and the Central Hotel. The loss on Robertframe, and he raised it without alarming the son's building is estimated at \$15,000, on burglars. He stood by the open window for | which there is \$13,000 insurance. The total Bostners Asseph E. Norris and F. M. a few seconds, waiting to see what the men loss is placed at \$45,000. would do. The one by the window pulled himself up, got his knee over the sill, and on as moderator, Rev. Z. Parker swung himself silently into the office. The Segardson as secretary, and R. M. Kent as Doctor considered that if he fired at the man this village, which was recently robbed, will in the yard he would alarm the one in the ha closed at once and placed in the hands of av. J. Z. Twee offered a resolution reoffice and have another shot at him as he ran
a receiver. It is believed the depositors will
No commercial failures are reported, though
out. So he raised his heavy pistol, aimed
receive forty-five per cent. Payment on a
n squeeze is expected Monday—collection troductory address for publication in the carefully at the man in the yard, and pulled the trigger.

Dr. Hammond is a very large man, being and no Mss., and would not have time soon an inch over six feet in stature, and broad in proportion. He had not stopped to dress himself, and as he stood by the open bathon relative to the same. Moved by room window in his white sleeping-clothes, he could be seen plainly from the yard, outlined against the dark background. As he in to prepare the reports, as some churches | fired the burglar in the yard uttered a cry to send written reports, which and staggered against the fence. The man beyond the fence looked up at the window, and seeing the Doctor there, his pistol aimed for another shot, shouted, G-d'd-n you! that's your game, is it?" and as he spoke, he aimed quickly at the Doctor and fired. It was done so quickly that Dr. Hammond had not time to seep aside from the window and the bullet struck him on the forehead, close ad recommending changes in relation to to the right temple. But, as he presented an oblique front to the man beyond the harmless and to protect his property, it was fence, the builet glanced from the bone; it cut an ugly gash in the flesh, and penetrated the bath-room wall. The Doctor did not bother such changes be advised by the flinch, but fired again and again, four times in all, emptying all the coombers of his pistol. Meanwhile, the burglar sprang out of the parior window and ran to his companion | in the yard, who was grouning and bleeding, and had evidently been badly wounded.

be lad over until to-morrow. Objected to, He and the man outside helped the bleeding man over the fence, and the three disappeared

that on "Weekly Communion" be circula- Grand Central-depor police-station, and be- Mr. Tyner. fore the Doctor got down stairs the bouse was surrounded by policemen. The cellar and all the stories of the house were carefully searched, but nothing was found except a the new Constitution, and expresses his grabandkerchief stained with blood, which Dr. tification that the Democrats have seen fit Hammond says was from the lungs, which indicates that the wounded burglar was fa- the exercise of power which promises to retally shot. The fence that he climbed was

blood on the brick pavement in the yard. Dr. McClennan, who lives in the house adjoining Dr. Hammond's, heard the firing and ran to his back window. As he reached the window he saw three men running through his yard, and fired at them, but appaare, in goodly numbers, not only remain, rently did not hit them. Dr. Hammond's wound is not serious, but will leave an ugly

also blood-stained, and there were drops of

No Use for Theorists .- One of the officers died by any in the southern States. The in the Signal-Service Bureau, Lieutenant

"We have nothing to do with theorists; our work is practical; we are materialists here, and leave speculations to others. For instance, I have listened to a gentleman who insisted that the rainfall is caused by the unusually large size of the solar spots this year, which spots affect the magnetic arrangements of the earth, and in this way produce rainfalls. There is no doubt that the solar spots we see this year are larger than usual; but ation and virtues be known all over strange to say there are scientists now who ountry, from the Canadas to the tell us that we see the sun in a different position, and in fact that the sun revolves around antly filled. From away out in the its own axis, like any other body of the planetary system, thus overthrowing the theory of Then, again, there are theorists who state that the increase of these solar spots will make it cooler all over the earth; but I was received this week from one house for can assure you that observation has taught us that the temperature of the earth has not decreased one hundredth part of a degree in

> We commend this sensible talk to Professor Tice, of St. Louis.

THE SCHROEDER BALLOON PROJECT .- A meeting to form an association to aid Schroeder in carrying out his project for building an air-ship to cross the Atlantic, was held equally convenient to the springs, office, street. E. Raine was elected president and E. Lohmeyer, secretary. Two hundred and forty-five shares of stock, at \$5 per share, lightful of the year. The visitors here are proverbial for their were subscribed. It is stated that Schroe-Sociability, and we have none of the rigid der is now ready to commence the construcobserve at most summer resorts. I heard and a committee of five to draft a constitu-

SALES OF GOVERNMENT GOLD .- New York, to the credit of the place and visitors, there August 26.—The Sub-Treasurer at noon is no gambling here. Ten-pins, dancing, opened bids for \$1,000,000 gold, aggregating games are the principal amusements. \$5,000,000, the highest being 113.48, and the lowest 113. The award of \$1,000,000 was

It was not Garibaid, but his wife, that

CONVENTION OF PROTESTANT CLERGYMEN.-Sea Grove. Cape May, August 20:-The Convention of Protestant clergymen of all denominations, in session here, opened with religious exercises by Rev. Drs. Wheeler and

Conrad. The Convention proceeded to consider the aggressions of the Rowich Church in forming political organizations whose aim is to obtain a share in the public school funds. A report was submitted by Rev. Mr. Van Dyke, with a resolution which, among other gelting more than our shade or the same of thought and exclusion, but leave them in things, urges upon the people of New Jersey their own select extends to the same of thought and exclusion, but leave them in things, urges upon the people of New Jersey

of the State which prohibits appropriations for sectarian purposes. Other resolutions were adopted, urging the rescinding of all appropriations hitherto made by the State Legislature for sectarian purposes, and determined opposition to any measure that will tend to destroy our public-

school system. Rev. Dr. Otts, of Delaware, read a paper

on the same subject. The resolutions reported were debated at length and generally adopted, with a substitute offered by the Rev. Dr. Grammar, resolving that, believing in freedom of conscience and the right of self-government, this Convention call upon every patriot to resist croachment upon the present system of public education.

CONFLICT OF DECISIONS IN THE CABINET .-Special dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]-Washington, August 26 .- The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has emphatically decided that so far as his rulings relate to the collection of internal revenue they cannot be reversed by the Secretary, nor can any decision of the Head of the Department be allowed to conflict with the instructions of his office. It will be remembered that Commis sioner Pleasanton made a similar issue when Secretary Boutwell was at the head of the

Department. Mr. Boutwell insisted that there could be but one head to the Treasury Department. He had been the first Commissioner, and contended that the law never was framed to be construed in favor of recognizing the Internal Revenue Bureau as a separate department of the Government. In this he was sustained by the President, and Pleasanton was turned out of office. The present Commissioner takes exactly the same stand Pleasanton did, and even has refused to recognize the decision of the Secretary on an important matter, and so notified the revenue officers.

INCENDIARISM AT MEMPHIS. - Memphis, August 26 .-- About 12 o'clock last night the Memphis Wood-Works, on Georgia street, were totally destroyed by fire, together with a large amount of timber and valuable muchinery. A stable belonging to the company, in which were a number of wagons and mules, was also consumed. So intense was the heat that one of the steam fire-engines was nearly lost, and was only saved by other engines playing upon the men who undertook to extricate it. Captain Raja and one of his men of the rescuing party were severely burned. A watchman on duty at the works saw two men hurriedly leaving the premises just before the fire broke out, and fired upon them as they ran, from which circumstance it was believed that the works were set on fire. The total loss is set down at \$27,000. Insurance, \$17,500 in western companies.

FIRE AT QUINCY, Mass .- Boston, August

WINDING UP A BANK - Winthrop, Me., August 26 .- The affairs of the Savings Bank in receive forty-five per cent. Payment on a a squeeze is expected Monday-collection large proportion of the stolen securities has day. been stopped. No clue to the robbers.

GENERAL PEMBERTON .- We see it stated that Lieutenant-General Pemberton, late of to take any action looking towards the postthe Southern army, is now in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, to establish fron-works at Amboy. It was General Pemberton who so long held out at Vicksburg, which was finally captured by General Grant.

A RABE DEFENCE .- In Appoint tox county court for August, the principal case tried was that of a negro charged with sheep-stealing. He defended his action in this regard by attempting to prove that the sheep was a sharp ram, vicious in his nature, and dan- jumped off Selby's smelting-works wharf gerous to the person and property of the defendant, and that in order to save himself necessary to kill and dress the aforesaid ram. The prisoner was discharged .- Lynchburg News.

excessive sums are paid many railroads for cold weather that prevailed since the report carrying the mails, the compensation being of June 26th, the general prospects indicated based on the weighing made sometime since are of the most gratifying character. The by one Safely, and which weighings are now probabilities are that larger or better corn believed to be fraudulent, Assistant Post. crops were never made in this section of the master-General Tyner is now perfecting ar- country. rangements for having the mails reweighed under the supervision of a confidential offitrict Telegraph Company, another wire car- are supposed to have profited by the fraudu-It was urged in this that a ried the information of the house to the lent weighing, will shortly be examined by

Ex-Senator John H. Henderson, as the leader of the Republican party in Missouri, has advised his fellow-Republicans to vote for "to put so many salutary limitations upon main with them several years at least."

Six counterfeit ten-dollar notes on the First demption Bureau, at Washington, from a New York bank.

Miller alias Woodruff, the defaulting secretary of the Contract and Finance Company of the Central Pacific Railroad Company, has been indicted by the grand jury of San Francisco for embezziement.

Mr. J. H. Noe, the New York merchant who was assaulted by a burglar in his store on Sunday last, died Thursday night. His

assassin has not been identified. The Texas military telegraph is completed | caught and reported to the Secretary of the | The steamer Manitoba is here with the to Rio Grande City, and is now open to that

point servative nominee for the Senate in Alexan-

PERSONAL.

INFORMATION EARNESTLY SOLI-cited.—My son JOHN WILLIAM SCHMIDT, aged 22 years; florid complexion, quick dark eyes, black curly hair; rather stont; about five feet six black curly hair; rather stout; about five feet six inches in height; a butcher by trade; been working for Mr. Theodore Frick, on Brook avenue, left his employ on Sunday evening, August 22, 1875; last seen to cross the old field going toward the new Meadow-Bridge road, about 7 o'clock, P. M.; was heard to remark on the previous Friday that he was in trouble and intended to drown himself. Any information concerning my son will be most thankfully received by his anxions mother,

MRS. CATHERINE SCHMIDT,

Twenty-secon; street
between Main and Franklin, Richmond,
Baltimore papers picase copy.

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SUMMER RESORTS.

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, WEST VIRGINIA.

BOARD FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER \$2 per day by the month; \$2.50 per day by the

The season during these months is the most de-GEORGE L. PEYTON & CO. au 28-10t

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BY TELEGRAPH

Financial Panie in San Francisco.

(Special telegram of the Dispatch I WASHINGTON, D. C., August 27 .- The failure of the Bank of California was the occasion of great interest and much comment in the Treasury and in financial circles generally to-day, and the general opinion among leading Treasury officials is that the failure is solely due to the fancy-stock past 12, and died in six minutes. He made operations of the bank.

Over \$2,000,000 in gold were transferred by the United States Treasurer to the Asistant Treasurer in San Francisco to be placed to the credit of California banks. posits with the Assistant Treasurer in that

fBy Associated Press.1 SUSPENSION OF THE NATIONAL GOLD BANK AND TRUST COMPANY.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 26, Midnight .-The National Gold Bank and Trust Company have sent the following notice for pubication in the morning papers:

. " In consequence of the panic and the imnossibility of obtaining coin the National Gold Bank and Trust Company will close until further notice. The bank has assets of As soon as coin can be obtained it will reorder of the Board of Trustees.

[Signed] "HENRY L. DAVIS, President." THE MERCHANTS EXCHANGE BANK CLOSED, &C. SAN FRANCISCO, August 27.-The Merchants Exchange Bank has closed. The officers claim that the only trouble is the lack of coin; of which they have \$100,000, the amount liable to draft being \$800,000. The managers of the London and San Francisco Bank assert their ability to meet a

SAN FRANCISCO, August 27 .- The exchanges are all closed and business is generally suspended. Intense excitement prevalls in the city.

THE FEDERAL TREASURY TO THE RESCUE. WASHINGTON, August 27 -- Heavy transfers of gold to California are being made by the Treasury to-day in support of the banks received at the Department that the agents of the banks have deposited gold with the Assistant Treasurer at New York, telegraphic instructions were sent to the Assistant Treasurer at San Francisco placing credits to the respective banks making such deposits in New York. Thus far over a million dollars have been transferred.

Later. THE EXCITEMENT SUBSIDING-CONDITION OF

OTHER BANKS, ETC. SAN FRANCISCO, August 27 .- The excite ment consequent upon the failure of the Bank of California seems subsiding. The run on the London and San Francisco Bank has ceased, with a large surplus in values. There was a slight run on the Anglo California Bank this morning, but it soon subsided.

The First National Gold Bank reports everything secure, and the same may be said of the Bank of British Columbia, and the Pacific, and Commercial Banks. The private banks report no excitement, and everything going on as usual. Generally speaking all the city banks are considered sound except the Bank of California. On the whole, confidence seems to be re turning, and it is believed the worst is over But little uneasiness is felt as to the condi-

Company, or the Merchants Exchange Bank. It is stated on presumably good authority that some half a dozen beavy stock-brokers are likely to go down. No cames are given

tion of the National Gold Bank and Trust

The Chamber of Commerce held a meeting this afternoon and decided that it would probably be more injurious than beneficial ponement of ordinary accounts or notes

maturing next collection day. The city tax-collector has \$275,000 of protested tax-moneys on deposit in the Bank of California, for which he has a certificate of special deposit. The directors assured the collector that the money would be paid in a day or two.

SUICIDE OF PRESIDENT RALSTON. SAN FRANCISCO, August 27 .- Mr. Ralston, the president of the Bank of California, this evening and was drowned. The body

has been recovered. The Crops.

MEMPHIS, August 27 .-- The Cotton Exchange crop-report for the Memphis district and North Alabama says: Notwithstanding the excessive wet and

Abundant crops of wheat, oats, millet, and

in most of this region good crops of small The alarm having been given to the Dis- cer. Several of the western railroads, which grasses were made, and all harvested and protected save the corn. The latter has in all instances matured, and now awaits the convenience of planters to harvest. Apprehension is expressed in regard to the

present critical condition of the cotton crop, which is generally claimed to be two or three weeks later than usual.

Not Inflationists, but Hard-Money Men.

New York, August 27 .- The dispatch sent hence last night about a meeting of New York delegates, including Messrs. Ottendorf-National Bank of Philadelphia were on er, F. A. Conkling, Henry Kemp, and others, Thursday received at the National Bank Re- to the proposed financial convention at Cincinnati, inadvertently termed the latter an inflation convention when it should have been designated as a hard-money convention. Justice to the speakers at the meeting ren- Fish Point, Lake Superior. The Comet ders this correction necessary, although the mistake is obvious and could dereive nobody. the captain. No one injured on board the

Smuggling Cigars.

from the West Indies to Mobile, managed to whole tow except one boat. smuggle a lot of cigars but was afterwards Treasury, who decided that the cigars shall survivors of the crew of the propeller be forfeited to the Government, and the mas-H. O. Claughton (not Clayton) is the Con- ter of the schooner pay a fine of \$500.

Archibald Baxter & Co.

New York, August 27 .- Archibald Baxter & Co., who suspended a few weeks as to, have filed a schedule in the county clerk's office. Their assets are about \$175,000, ar,d liabilities in the neighborhood of \$250,000. They think they will be able to pay sixty cents, and, it time be given, they will very nearly or quite pay dollar for dollar. The assignee's bond is fixed at \$40,000.

Assassination. Memphis, August 27 .- James R. McNeil, well-known planter, living eighteen miles sassinated this morning. No clue to the

Weather Report.

assassin.

Washington, August 27 .- For the New insulted, and the reports of the seriousness England and Middle States and lower Lake of the affair are highly colored. region, high but is lling barometer, partly cloudy weather, with increasing cloudiness, easterly winds veriring to southerly, rising temperature, and, possibly rain in the Middle Atlantic States.

For the South Atlantic States, north to east winds, stationary or slightly rising barometer and temperature, partly cloudy weather, with local rains on the coast.

Special River Report. Washington, August 27-7:35 P. M.— The Mississippi has fallen two inches at St. Louis, eighteen inches at Cairo, twenty-eight inches at Memphis, twenty-three inches at Helena, and has remained stationary at Vicksburg, where it is forty feet and eleven inches.

Railroad Passengers Robbe 1. CINCINNATI, August 27 .- Passengers on the sleeping-car from Chicago via Kaukee were robbed last night of \$1,000.

Execution of a North Care lina Murderer-History of the Crime, &c.

[Special telegram to the Dispatch.] NORPOLE. August 27 .- Cornelius Willams, the negro who was convicted by the County Court of Northampton county, N. C., of murdering the old man William Presson, the Weldon bridge-keeper, several months ago, was bung at Jackson, the countyseat, to-day exactly at twenty-eight minutes an open confession, acknowledging his guilt, and implicating three other Northampton negroes-Alfred Walker, Randalf Whitaker, and Orra Alston-in the marder and robbery. Seven hundred people were on the ground, whose agents in New York bad made de- and Williams spoke fully a baif-hour to the erowd. He acknowledged the verdict just, and concluded with the hope that he would meet all his friends in heaven.

The history of the crime may be briefly

told as follows : Arthur Presson, Reeper of

the railroad bridge across the Rounoke river at Weldon, N. C., was murdered on the night of June 17, 1874, at 10 o'clock. He; his wife, and two daughters, aged fifteen and ten years respectively, lived in a small house on the Northampton county side of the Roanoke, immediately beside the railroad, in a very deep ravine. They had just retired for the \$1.300,000 over and above all its liabilities. night, when a voice was heard calling from the top of the high hill. Presson got up, put sume business as usual. In the mean time on his shoes, and went out in his night-clothes. any creditor so desiring can have good assets In a few moments the family heard a poise of the bank to the amount of his claim. By like a borse kicking violently against the door of the stable on the hill-top. Ten minutes thereafter some person came to the door of the dwelling and said Presson had sent for his pocket-book. Whilst search was making for the pocket-book, the pretended messenger jumped suddenly from the doorway; and immediately Presson entered and exclaimed, "I am a dead man! strike a light! Old Cornelius, old Cornelius, old Cornelius, has shot me!". The lamp was lighted. Presson was covered with was lighted. Presson was covered with blood. Mrs. Presson asked him if the horse had kicked him. He replied, and Ohlo railroad, Louisa county, Va.—The sixth 'No! Old Cornelius has killed me!" He was heard, as his voice failed, to whisper the name of "Austin Hill." Mrs. Presson and the two daughters then ran to the top of the hill and made outcry for the neighbors. Three colored men answered the summons, and went with the women to the Presson residence. The dying man again of that section. Upon official notice being faintly called the name of Austin Hill; and being asked if he said Austin Hill, he bowed his head, and said, "Yes, Austin Hill!" The three negroes then crossed the bridge to Weldon for a dector, and when they returned, in half an hour, Presson was dead. At the post-mortem examination next day before the coroner and jury it was found that Presson was shot in the neck, from which fifteen or twenty squirrel shot were extracted. Austin Hill (colored), who lived six miles

away, was arrested at his home on the day following the murder. He attempted to escape, but was shot down and recaptured. Cornelius Williams (colored) resided about a mile from Presson's house.

Alfred Walker (colored) had been seen, soon after sunset on the night of the murder in conversation with Cornelius Williams. Williams and Walker were both taken into custody. The three prisoners were fully committed by the magistrate a few days subsequent to the bomicide, and imprisoned in the county jail at Jackson to await the November term of the Superior Court. They were arraigned for trial November 18th before Judge J. L. Henry. The case was given to the jury at midnight of November 21st, who returned a verdict,

after two hours' consultation, of not guilty as to Alfred Walker, and guilty as to Cornelius Williams and Austin Hill. An appeal to the Supreme Court was prayed and granted, resulting in the affirm-

ing of the action of the court below. Cornelius Williams subsequently made a confession, exculpating his fellow-convict Hill, and accusing one of the most reputable and influential citizens of Northampton as an accessory before the fact. In order to a proper judicial investigation of this charge, the Governor, with the advice of the Supreme Court, granted a respite to Williams and Hill. The former to August 27th, and the latter to September 17th. The accusation against the gentleman referred to was inquired into by a magistrate's court and found to be utterly groundless.

Cornelius Williams, who was executed today, is black, and about twenty-seven years old. Austin Hill, his accomplice, is coppercolored, and aged about fifty years. Both are rather above the average grade of intelligence of their race.

Express Car Robbery.

SALT LAKE CITY, August 27 .- The express car on the Union Pacific railroad, bound east last night, was robbed of several packages between Bitter Creek and Table Rock sta-

Grain-Laden Steamer Burning.

BUFFALO, N. Y., August 27 .- The large four-masted steamship Perslan, from Chicago for Buffalo, with 50,000 bushels of corn and 15,000 bushels of wheat, was reported as burning rapidly ten miles east of Long Point last night. She will probably be a total loss. The grain is insured, but there is no insurance on the hull.

Long Branch Races

Long Branch, August 27 .- The first race, a handicap purse of \$300, for all ages, one and a quarter miles, was won by Spendthrift. Time, 2:13. The second race, for a purse of \$400, mile heats, for all ages, was won by Donnybrook.

Time, 1:461, 1:461, 1:511. The three-quarter mile dash was won by Burgoo. Time, 1:18.1. In the steeple-chase Deadhead was the winner. Time, 3:461.

Marine Casualties. Detroit, August 27 .- The Canadian steamer Manitoba and the propeller Comet collided at half-past 8 o'clock near Waite sunk immediately. Ten lives lost, including

Manitoba. CARRO, August 27 .- Tow-boat Smoky Washington, August 27 .- The master of City with twelve barges in tow struck a bar the schooner Elizabeth on a recent voyage at the head of Island No. 10, sinking the SAULT STE MARIE, MICH., August 27 .-

Comet. Among the drowned are Raby and Brown, the first and second eagineers, and nine others whose names are unknown.

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